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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR U.S.-SPONSORED TRAINING  
FOR ALAARAGY AND AL-SODANI, SOVEREIGN CHALLENGE

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1. (U) The Department has reviewed its files and finds that it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights at this time by the members of the Iraqi Ministry of Defense listed below. Department strongly suggests that visa applications for these individuals be filed with as much lead time as possible to allow for additional processing procedures that may be required. Note that if, at any time, the Embassy becomes aware of any information regarding incidents which could be deemed to be credible information of a gross violation of human rights by these individuals, the Embassy should so inform the Department.

2. (SBU) The names of the proposed candidates are as follows:

NAME: Ismael AL-SODANI  
DOB: August 23, 1962  
POSITION: Defense Attach  
TYPE OF TRAINING: Sovereign Challenge at Special Operations Command  
TRAINING LOCATION: Tampa, FL  
DATES OF TRAINING: March 8-11, 2010

NAME: Ali ALAARAGY  
DOB: 26 May 1963  
POSITION: Defense Attach  
TYPE OF TRAINING: Sovereign Challenge at Special Operations Command  
TRAINING LOCATION: Tampa, FL  
DATES OF TRAINING: March 8-11, 2010  
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